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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/58/102 of 8 July 2003, the General Assembly will be required, during its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2004.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Mr. Kenshiro **Akimoto** (Japan);

Mr. Petru **Dumitriu** (Romania);

Mr. Haileselassie **Getachew** (Ethiopia);

Mr. David A. **Leis** (United States of America);

Mr. Meshal **Al Mansour** (Kuwait);

Mr. Assen Iliev **Zlatanov** (Bulgaria).

3. The curricula vitae of the candidates follow.

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Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan)

Date of birth: 26 June 1935

Academic history

1964	University of Strasbourg, international law, international relations
1963	University of Bordeaux, international law, international relations
1959	Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Spanish and Ibero-American studies, international law, international relations

Diplomatic career

1993-1997	Ambassador of Japan to Costa Rica
1989-1993	Permanent delegate of Japan to UNESCO, Ambassador
1989	Minister, Embassy of Japan in France
1987	Minister, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations
1986	Minister, Embassy of Japan in Uruguay
1981	Director, Office of International Organization, Economic Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1978	Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Italy
1978	Office of the Law of the Sea, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1969	Office of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1967	United Nations Bureau, administrative and budgetary matters of the United Nations
1965	Permanent Mission of Japan to international organizations in Geneva (budgets of the United Nations and specialized agencies)
1962	Senior foreign service officer examination

Other professional experience

1959	The Bank of Tokyo, Head Office (Foreign Exchange Officer)

Relations with the United Nations system

2002-present	Member, Committee on Contributions
1999-present	Member, United Nations Staff Pension Committee
1988-1994	Member, Committee on Contributions
1987-1994	Fifth Committee of the General Assembly (alternate representative, administrative and budgetary matters)

1969-1971	Sixth Committee of the General Assembly (conventions on the privileges and immunities of special missions and representatives to international organizations, etc.)
1968	Fifth Committee of the General Assembly
1966	Third Committee of the General Assembly (International Covenants of Human Rights)
1967-1968	Meetings of the Economic and Social Council
1987-1993	UNESCO General Conferences and other meetings
1966-68, 1993	General conferences of WHO, WMO, ILO and other specialized agencies

Other international conferences and meetings

1965	Asia-African Conference, Algiers
1974	Asia-African Consultative Committee, Tokyo
1973	ICAT meeting, Madrid
1980-1981	OECD Development Assistance Committee meetings on Japanese economic assistance
1980 and 1981	Joint meetings of IMF/World Bank

Languages

Working languages	English, French and Spanish; adequate knowledge in Italian and Portuguese

Petru Dumitriu (Romania)

Born: 29 June 1955, Nartesti/Galati, Romania

Foreign languages: English, French, Spanish

Computer skills: MS Office, Corel WordPerfect, Quicken

Home address: 3 Rue Pedro-Meylan, appartement 23, 1208 Genève

Present position

Minister Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations Office at Geneva (since December 2000)

Previous positions

1998	Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania, United Nations and Specialized Institutions Department
1997	Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations, New York
1993	First Secretary/Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations, New York
1992	Deputy Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Division for the United Nations and other International Organizations
1990	Third Secretary, Second Secretary, Division for the United Nations and other International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1986	Economist, Ministry for Foreign Trade and International Economic Cooperation, Directorate for trade policies and planning of international exchanges
1983	Economist, Navlomar, Bucharest — shipbrokers, chartering agents, ship agency and ship chandlers company
1979	Economist, Hydropower Stations Construction Trust, Bucharest, Department for Export-Import

Functions performed as a member or elected officer

2001-2003	Member of the Committee on Contributions
2002 (7-9 November)	General Rapporteur, the Pan-European Ministerial Conference in preparation of the World Summit on the Information Society, Bucharest
2002 (1-5 July)	General Rapporteur of the first session of the Preparatory Committee of the World Summit on the Information Society, Geneva
1997 (2-4 September)	Secretary-General of the Third International Conference of the New or Restored Democracies, Bucharest

1997	Vice-chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee, fifty-second session of the General Assembly
1997	Vice-president of the Disarmament Commission
1995	Vice-president of the Executive Board of UNICEF
1991-1993	Secretary-General of the United Nations Association of Romania

Participation in internationally financed teams and assignments

2002 (December)	Drafting Group for the Declaration and the Plan of Action of the World Summit on the Information Society (Glion-sur-Montreux, Switzerland)
1999 (April-May)	Drafting Group for a "Code of Democratic Conduct" (UNDP, Romania)
1999 (June)	World Conference on Governance (UNDP, Manila)
1998 (December)	Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven on globalization (UNDP, Indonesia)
1997 (May)	Preparatory team for the third International Conference of New or Restored Democracies (UNDP, Romania)
1995 (April)	UNICEF field visit team (Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan)

Academic records

1992	Master of Arts in diplomacy, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies
1979	Graduated from the Academy of Economic Studies, Faculty of International Economic Relations
1996, 1997	Certificates from the Institute of World Affairs, Washington, D.C., the International Academy of Peace, New York
1985	Post-graduate courses: special trade operations and invisible trading
1986	Post-graduate courses: management, international trade, financial and banking techniques
1999-present	Ph.D. programme, economic sciences — globalization

Publications

Author of numerous studies and articles on issues related to economics, international relations, multilateral diplomacy and the United Nations in particular

Haileselassie Getachew (Ethiopia)

Born: 22 March 1971, Addis Ababa

Present position

Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to the United Nations, New York

Professional experience

1999-present	Delegate of Ethiopia to the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth to fifty-eighth sessions
2000-present	Delegate of Ethiopia to the forty-first to forty-third sessions of the Committee on Programme and Coordination
2000-present	Delegate of Ethiopia to the Committee on Conferences
2002-2003	Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session
2002	Member of the Ethiopian Delegation to the World Summit for Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa
2002	Delegate of Ethiopia at the first to third preparatory sessions of the World Summit for Sustainable Development
1999-2002	Delegate of Ethiopia to the seventh to ninth sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development
1999	Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to the United Nations, New York
1998	Delegate of Ethiopia to the Third Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-third session
1998	Third Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to the United Nations, New York
1994	Delegate of Ethiopia to the Third Committee of the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session
1993-1998	Third Secretary, International Organizations and Economic Cooperation Directorate General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Addis Ababa
1993	Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Addis Ababa

Education

1988-1992	Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Addis Ababa University, Faculty of Business and Economics, Addis Ababa
1993	Diplomatic Training Programme, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Addis Ababa

David A. Leis (United States of America)

Current professional experience

United States Department of State
Office of United Nations System Administration
Bureau of International Organization Affairs
Washington, D.C.

1987-present	Programme Analyst with extensive dealings with United Nations policies and procedures, as well as domestic and international budget, financial and administrative issues
1997-present	Member of the Committee on Contributions

Previous professional experience

1981-1987	Management Analyst for the Office of the Controller of the Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, D.C.
1976-1981	Management Analyst for the Office of the Director of the New York Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, New York, N.Y.
1974-1976	Financial Reports Examiner, Securities and Exchange Commission, New York, N.Y.

Education

1974	Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics, Columbia University, New York
1995	Master of Arts Degree in International Finance, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland

Personal

Birthdate: 23 November 1948

Birthplace: Uppsala, Sweden

Meshal Al Mansour (Kuwait)

Diplomatic career objectives

To be able to serve as the top diplomat representing my country in as many countries as possible and get to know as many cultures and civilizations as possible

Experience

August 2000 to present	Permanent Mission of the State of Kuwait to the United Nations Officer in charge of covering the activities of the Fifth Committee and Liaison Officer with the Department of Peacekeeping Operations Consular and Administrative Officer at the Mission of Kuwait
1998-2000	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait Diplomatic Attaché — Arab World Department — Arab League Section
June 1999	Training Section at the Secretariat of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)

Education

1999-2000	Oxford University, Foreign Service Programme — St. Edmund Hall Postgraduate degree — focusing on diplomacy, international trade and finance, international politics and international law
1993-1997	B.A., international relations and political science, California University of Pennsylvania

Hobbies

Reading history, finance and international affairs

Travelling

Sports

Photography

Assen Iliev Zlatanov (Bulgaria)

Born: Sofia, 27 July 1935

Education

High Degree in economics, 1959, Foreign Trade, at K. Marx University of National and World Economy

Professional qualifications

Economist, speciality — international monetary and financial relations

1959-1964	Economist and Director in National Bank of Bulgaria, International Department
1964-1976	Director, Member of the Board of Directors and First Vice President of the Bulgarian Foreign Trade Bank, Sofia
1976-1982	Ambassador of Bulgaria in the State of Kuwait. In 1978 accredited as Ambassador in the Yemen Arab Republic, Sana
1982-1986	Ambassador, Head of Department, International Economic Organizations in the Foreign Ministry
1986-1990	Ambassador of Bulgaria in Iraq, Baghdad
1992-2001	Bank Executive in the Bank for Agricultural Credit, Sofia, and the Tokuda Credit Express Bank, Sofia

Activities in the United Nations

23 March-16 June 1964	Deputy Representative of the Bulgarian delegation to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Geneva
1968	Head of the Bulgarian delegation to the meetings of UNCTAD in New York on invisible payments
1983	Deputy Head of the Bulgarian delegation to the General Assembly
1983-1986	Head of the Bulgarian delegation to the Economic and Social Council, Geneva
1983-1991	Member of the Committee on Contributions

Foreign languages

English, French, Russian

Publications

Books and several articles on monetary and world foreign trade problems

Books — "Bulgaria Foreign Economic Relations", Sofia, 1964, author; "Money, Credit and Banking Systems", Sofia, 1974, co-author; "Monetary problems on the

foreign trade practice", Sofia, 1966, co-author; "International Organizations", Sofia, 1987, co-author

Articles — "The EURO and perspectives of the European economic integration" in the magazine *International Relations*, Sofia, 2001; "Dollars standard and hegemony of the dollar", classified chronicles, Sofia, 2002